RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1911.

# BURN TO DEATH FIGHTING POLICE

Anarchists, in Barricaded House, Hold Military at Bay.

### THOUSANDS SEE TERRIFIC BATTLE

Desperadoes Fall in Seething Officials Believe Robbers Are Flames When Building Is Fired-Search of Ruins Reveals Remains of Only Two Men-Occurrence Greatly Stirs London.

## Widespread Plot.

ndon, January 4.—According to Only Telegraph, the pulice are ossession of information con-ng a widespread nonrchist plot.

been stirred by a terrific battle waged to-day between anarchists, on the one

operation of trains by the Southern Pacific.

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at the calling out of the soldiers. They express confidence that they could have handled the affair without the help of the military. The last occasion on which the military was so employed was at the time of the notorious Trafalgar Square riots, when John Burns was arrested. Even then the soldiers did not fre.

Identity Not Certain.

It is somewhat difficult to establish the identity of the dead desperadoes, of how the police tracked them, but according to the latest reports it is practically certain that one is "Dutch Fritz," and it is almost equally certain that the other is not "Peter the Painter," for whom the police are still searching.

All the wounded are doing well. Sergeant Lessen is in a serious condition, but is expected to recover.

Restaurant Keeper Murdered.
Muskogee. Okla., January 3.—With
the head almost severed, the body of
G. H. Anderson was found in his restaurant here to-day, where he had been
killed by unknown persons. A broken
razor and a bloody butcher knife
nearby, indicated that he had fought
desperately with his assailants. There
ass. been no arrest made.

## MASKED BANDITS COUNCIL FAILS TO ROB PASSENGERS CONFIRM AWARD

Southern Pacific's Over- Rejects, Then Sends Back land Limited Held Up at Rees.

PORTER IS KILLED ONE OTHER SHOT

Former Railroad Men-Highwaymen Get Away With About \$1,200 Cash-All but Three Persons on Train Searched.

Ogden, Utah, January 3 .-- Working on the theory that the two masked bandlts who held up the Southern Pacine Overland Limited at Rees, early to-

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Contract for Boulevard Gas Lamps.

LIGHTING SYSTEM GETS HARD RAPS

Committee Instructed to Find Out if Two or Three Stories May Be Added to City Hall. Blake and Lynch Attack Work of City Officials.

of contract to the American Street

new Stumpf Hotel encroaching seventeen inches on the alley in rear. On the rolt call companion resolutions were adopted, one inquiring into the cost of adding three stories to the City Hall, and the other proposing the acquisition of the Ford's Hotel site for a municipal courthouse.

Three Stories to City Hall.

Mayor Richardson presented a veto message on the ordinance instructing the City Attorney to acquire the block bounded by Eleventh, Twelfth, Broad and Capitol Streets on account of a defect in the text of the paper. The Mayor stated that he fully concurred in the propriety of acquiring the prop-

it was adopted under suspension of the rules. The companion paper, also offered by Mr. Poliard, and adopted under suspension, directs the Grounds and Buildings Committee to make an inquiry into the advisability and probable cost of adding two or three stories to the City Hall.

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Some New Matters.

Among new propositions coming up on roll call was one from President Peters appropriating \$50,000 to replace or enlarge Madison Public School, at the corner of Madison and Cary Streets, which went to the Finance Committee; a resolution offered by Mr. Ratcline instructing the City Attorney to acquire the triangle bounded by the Boulevard, Park Avenue and Deep Rin Street, and one offered by Dr. Reade directing the Finance Committee to include in the 1911 budget \$10,000 for advertising the resources of the city, both of which went to the Finance Committee; a resolution offered by Mr. Pollock, and adopted under suspension of the rules, approving the appointment of ludge Beyerly T. Crust. droppied to the floor wounded. By this the rulns had cooled a little revealed in a cupboard a large number of what appeared to be metal dynamite bombs, in an untinished state. At present there is no evidence that the house has any other occupants than the two whose charred bodies were found. Several police and civillans received minor injuries. Immense crowds of sightseers invested the neighborhood until a late hour to-night, but a strict police guard was maintained, and it was impossible for those without authority to get close to the half wrecked building. Two families who eccupied the lower floors of this building were withdrawn by the police before the fighting began, and they profess to know nothing of how the desperadoes gained access to the house. The latter appear to have been in rooms rented by a Russian woman, however, no charge has yet been made. The polic officials show aggravation at the calling out of the soldiers. They express confidence that they could have handled the affair without the

where I was for a few minutes. A little later the engine and baggage car passed me, going on the siding. There were twenty-seven passengers on the Overland, and all but three were searched. The total loot is placed at \$1,100 to \$1,200 by railroad officials.

WILL CARRY \$250,000,000

Post-Office Appropriation Bill will Break All Records.

Washington, D. C., January 3.—When the post-office appropriation bill is reported to the House about January 20, which breaks all records for post-office appropriations. The appropriation for the current year is \$240,000,000. The increase in the postal servic, which now employs an army of 3250,000 on the National Rivers and Harbors. Congress was concurred in, as was an appropriation of \$2,791.25 for construction of a sewer in Seventeenth Street to Bryan Park, by way of the Hermitage Road, with the aid of the Herm

## PRINCIPALS IN CUMBERLAND MYSTERY



Find Nothing Calculated to Help Attack by Bonilla Revolutionists New Members of United States Clear Up Murder Mystery.

TWO FUNERALS ARE HELD U. S. MARINES NOT LANDED BENCH IS NOW COMPLETE

nates Theory of Suicide Pact.

by Mrs. Elosser on the sofa in the parlor of the Elosser home. Save for the almost self-evident facts, such as that the two died from the effects of poisoning by ey anide of potassium, the authorities to-night are precisely where they started in their efforts to solve the mystery of the two deaths.

The only development of importance appears to be that a detective has at last been set to work on the case.

State's Attorney Robb and other officials made a thorough search of the Elosser home to-day, but say they found nothing whatever calculated to help clear up the Systery.

Sulcide Pact Eliminated.

For the first time since the discovery of the dead bodies of Twigg and Miss Elosser was announced the State's attorney has talked at length on the case. He declared positively to-day that the sulcide pact in his investigation must be eliminated. He said also that his opinion was that the chewing gum found in the mouth of Twigg did not contain potassium cyanide or any of its equivalent, although he is positive that the death of the pair was caused by cyanide of potassium or hydro-cyanic acid solu-

of the man who was to have been her husband Sunday last. Hundreds of persons swarmed into the little West Virginia town to attend the services.

Grace Methodist Episcopal Church here, where the services over Miss Elosser look place, was packed. In his sermon, Dr. W. W. Van Arsdale, the pastor, and a long-time friend of the his between the services over Miss to have been her wedding gown, lay in the same of the pastor, and a long-time friend of the his city of the death of the young woman whose body, attired in the white satin dress that was to have been her wedding gown, lay in the same of the opinion that she have been her wedding gown, lay in the same of the proposed with mailing New Year's Greefing Under Senator's Frank.

HELD FOR \$300 BAIL

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killed herself,
Twigg's funeral took place from
the Methodist Episopal Church at
Keyser, and burial was in the cemetery adjoining the church.
The entire Elosser family will be
put on the stand at the coroner's inquest, it is understood. Mr. Elosser
said to-day that he and his family will
freely tell sil they know at the inquest, in order to clear up the mysterious death of their daughter and
Twigg.

Patal Conl. Dust Explosion.
Denver. Col., January 3.—Three
workmen were killed and seven injured, one or two probably fatally, in
an explosion of coal dust to-day in the
pulverizing-room of the Portland cement works at Portland, six miles from
Florence. Col.

## Blizzardy Weather Prevails in the South

Atlanta, Ga., January 3.—Blizzardy weather, which has been riding into the South for the past two days, reached the Gulf and South Atlantic States to-day. Freezing temperatures, following heavy rains, were reported from various points in Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia, lee forming as far south as Mobile. Snow was general throughout the morthern and central parts of the Gulf States.

General heavy rains in all the South Atlantic States to-day were followed by failing temperatures to-night, and the full strength of the cold wave is expected to-morrow.

# OFFICERS SEARCH STATE OF UNREST JUSTICES TAKE ELOSSER HOME IN PUERTO CORTEZ OATH OF OFFICE

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State's Attorney Robb Elimi-Only Five Hundred Soldiers Judges Van Devanter and Available for the City's

lings under the frank of Senitor Bourne, of Oregon, Ernest J. Stevens, of this city, was to-day held in \$300 held by United States Commissioner Craig. Postal Inspectors alleged that Stevens, who is a dealer in inedical instruments, secured 500 copies of a speech which Senator Bourne delivered in this city early last year. They were in unaddressed envelopes, bearing Senator Bourne's name. Copies of the speech, and Stevens's business card with New Year greet'ngs, it is alleged, were mailed in the franked envelopes.

## TO DRIVE JAPS OUT

Chinese in Manchuria Organize Secret Society.

Peking, January 3.—It is reported that the Chinese in Manchuria have organized a secret society of large membership, with the object of driving the Japanese out of the country. Reports that the Japanese are strengthening their garrison in Manchuria have caused considerable unrest in certain circles here, where rumors of Japanese aggression are spread. Similar stories of Russia's purpose to occupy Harbin and the intermediate country from the frontier are circulated.

## EARTH SHOCKS RECORDED

Scientists Estimate That Centre of Disturbance is 3,000 Miles Away. Mobile, Ala., January 3.—A series of violent earth shocks were recorded by the seismograph at Spring Hill College this evening, commencing at 61st and continuing for twenty-four minutes, the maximum being reached at 6:29. One heavy wave was also recorded at 6:07 colock. Tremors were recorded at most continuously throughout the day. Scientists estimate that the centre of the disturbance is more than 2,000 miles away.

Supreme Court Enter Upon Duties.

Lamar the Latest Acquisitions.

Puerto Cortez, Honduras, January 3.

This city is still in a state of unrest because of a momentarily expected attack by the Bonilla revolutionists. Nothing has been heard from the gunboat Hornet since Thursday night, when she was reported as having been signated outside the harbor.

Commander Davis, of the United States cruiser Tacoma, had not landed marines up to this morning, but is expected to do so before the actual attack upon the city begins.

Imminent Danger of Capture.

Mobile, Ala., January 3.—That the city of Puerto Cortez is in imminent danger of being captured by the Honduras revolutionists, under former President Bonilla and General Lee Christmas, who left the United States as lort time ago to take charge of the revolutionary forces, is evident from the information contained in a letter received here to-day by Dr. R. H. Von Ezdorf, of the United States warine

the day since all of the nine chairs or with the only were occupied. After May, 1909, Justice Moody, now retired for the compelled to lay aside his dutted and seek restoration or health in research the seek restoration of health of seek restoration has November.

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# NEWSPAPER WINS IN ITS APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT

Government Fails to Maintain "Panama Canal Libel Suit.

BANK GUARANTY LAWS ARE UPHELD

Highest Tribunal Declares Un constitutional Alabama "Contract Law'-Railroads Lose Fight Against Amendment to Hepburn Rate

unanimous decision the Supreme Court of the United States to-day decided

ourt.
The Press Publishing Company.

The Press Publishing Company, publisher of the New York World, was indicted in March. 1909, in the Circuit Court of the United States for the Southern District of New York on a charge of libel.

In effect, the alleged libei was the publication of articles stating that Charles P. Taft, Douglas Robinson and William Nelson Cromwell, with J. Pierpont Morgan and others, obtained control of the Panama Canal route for about \$30,000,000, and by the co-operation of Theodore Roosevelt, then President of the United States, and brother-in-law of Mr. Robinson, and William H. Taft, then Secretary of War, and brother of Mr. Taft, were enabled to effect the sale of the Panama Canal to the United States, and brother of Mr. Taft, were enabled to effect the sale of the Panama Canal to the United States at a profit of \$\$36,003,

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Claimed Jurisdiction.

The United States claimed jurisdiction to punish the alleged libel on the theory that the publisher had committed a crime upon-Federal territory at West Point, N. Y., and in the post-office building in New York City.

It was argued that wherever the papers containing the alleged libelous articles might have been printed, that they were technically "published" upon these Federal reservations, and that the Federal government had the power to punish such publishing.

The indictment was quashed on the ground that the court was without jurisdiction of the crime libel charged in the indictment. The United States appealed from this construction of the statute, under which it claimed the indictment was authorized.

The decision of the court to-day dealt entirely with the act of Congress in 1898, under which it didtement was brought. The effect of this act was to incorporate the criminal laws of the several States in force on July 1, 1898, into the Federal statute and to make them applicable to Federal reservations within the various States. Among these State laws was a New York libel law.

States were left to be punished under the applicable State statutes.